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ALABAMA FARMERS REAP UNEXPECTED REWARD FROM CROP RETURNS.

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A year which began in gloom has ended in optimism for the farmers of Alabama. The state agricultural statistician, show that farmers of the state now have much more money in their pockets and in banks, more debts have been paid, and they also have a normal amount of food crops.

Proclamation

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, by the Act of the Legislature of Alabama, approved August 20, 1927, and passed at the regular session of the Legislature of Alabama 1927, an election was ordered to be held in the State of Alabama, upon a certain proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, which proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, which proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, was to be held on the second Tuesday in January, 1928; and

WHEREAS, by act of the election committee, an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama was ordered to be held on the second Tuesday in January, 1928; and

WHEREAS, notice of such election together with the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, was given by law to be given by Proclamation of the Governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the GOVERNOR, of the State of Alabama, do hereby issue this proclamation that on Tuesday, January 19, 1928, at a time and place as may be appointed by the election committee of the legislature, the election of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, shall be held.

EDWARD A. O'NEAL, president of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation, has been re-elected vice-president of the organization, and the Bureau will be in the State of Alabama for a vote by the qualified electors of the State of Alabama, which will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 1928, for the election of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alabama, named:

Article XXI. Section 1. The State may engage in the construction and improvement of buildings for public schools and the improvement of school buildings, including the normal schools, in this State and to this end and for this purpose, the State is authorized to appropriate funds and also to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of State bonds in an amount not to exceed the sum of Twenty Million Dollars to be issued in such denominations and numbers as may be required at such time as may be provided for the purpose of voting on a Proposed Constitution of the State of Alabama. Said election having been duly ordered and proclaimed by the Governor of the State of Alabama, by appropriate Proclamation now being made, and the prompt and faithful payment of the principal and interest of these bonds, and the payment of the principal and interest of the State is hereby irrevocably pledged and such bonds shall be exempt forever from all taxes on every kind of property, and these bonds shall be set aside and expended for the permanent construction and permanent improvement of public buildings in the State, the State being the only authority under provisions and in accordance with Acts of the Legislature of Alabama.

Given under my hand, this the 10th day of December, 1927.

O. F. LIGHTNER, Sheriff,

Of Coffee County, Alabama,

JEMISON & COMPANY, INC.

December 10, 1927.

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in storage for next year.

A year ago the price of cotton was low and farmers were discouraged.

A short time for the entire cotton belt in 1927 located in the State of Alabama, farmers managed to come through the year with another good crop. Although they reduced their acreage along with other patriotic cotton growers, the weather, as a whole, was favorable, and with the help of improved cultural methods, better varieties, and also better fertilizers enabled that state to exceed all but two of the Southern states in the production of cotton this year.

Now \$105,000,000.

Not until the end of the season and the price is averaged can a final value be placed upon the crop this year.

Gift of God, the cotton crop in 1927 was \$105,000,000, and \$105,000,000 for the 1926 crop.

Although the 1927 cotton crop was exceeded by the 1926 crop, it was a good one, a strong crop, and the cotton crop in 1927 exceeded that of 1926.

There was a substantial increase in the peanut crop, while hogs and cows showed an increase throughout the state.

Syrup sweet potatoes and some of the other minor crops are about the same.

The two hay crops appear to be about the same.

A survey of the state reveals that cotton production is still increasing.

With the year and that there is a treated spot. Due to a severe storm in September, 1926, Southeast Alabama suffered severely because the bands of bales of cotton were actually placed in the ground.

For the summer, the strength of the spray solutions must not be sufficient to kill the leaves.

With no leaves on the trees a strong increase of spray solution is required.

As a result, there is less spraying and there is more time for spraying during the winter.

Spraying requires a good deal of time and money.

It is a good idea to buy one.

Seeding the cotton, the cotton agent suggests that the cotton should be sprayed.

Other factors which are important in the cotton crop are the weather, the soil, the fertilizer, and the cultural methods.

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